

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5403

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PROCUREMENT OF COTTON

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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether cotton has been procured by the Government at lower prices than the support price despite the fact that there was bumper crop of cotton in December, 2006;
- (b) the reaction of the Government in this regard; (
- (c) the action taken by Cotton Corporation of India in this regard; and
- (d) the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGO VAN)

(a): No Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c) & (d): Government of India through its designated agencies namely the Cotton Corporation of India Ltd. and NAFED undertakes Minimum Support Price (MSP) operations from day one of prices touching the MSP level without any quantitative restrictions.